



May 17th, 2016

Michigan Senate Natural Resources Committee:

Dear Senators,

The purpose of this letter is to let you know that the Beaver Island Wildlife Club supports the Ruffed Grouse Society and the American Woodcock Society in their position regarding Senate Bills 39 and 40. It is extremely important that the state lands be fully utilized to support the local economy. We are currently working in partnership with the DNR - Wildlife Division, to develop a Northern Lake Michigan Islands Management Plan. An integral part of this plan is increased management of the habitat, on state managed lands, for the benefit of the game birds, songbirds and deer.

The Beaver Island Wildlife Club has been actively working to preserve the fish and wildlife of the Beaver Island Archipelago for more than 70 years.

Best Regards,

Dr. Jeffery Powers
President Beaver Island Wildlife Club

CC: Wayne Schmidt State Senator, 37th District